# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

## FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 286 – SB 1150

March 27, 2017

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Creates a Class A misdemeanor for using or possessing a motor vehicle that has a fabricated or altered compartment containing contraband or residue of contraband.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

#### NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004095):** Deletes language of the original bill that defines "vehicle" and rewrites the definition to add language that excludes a vehicle being towed by a towing firm.

### FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to the provisions of the legislation, contraband or contraband residue is necessary to charge an offender with the newly-created Class A misdemeanor.
- It is estimated that offenders charged pursuant to the provisions of the legislation will
  incur additional charges stemming from possessing contraband or residue of contraband;
  however, it is reasonably assumed the additional charges will not significantly increase
  local incarceration costs.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.
- The Department of Safety and the Administrative Office of the Courts both report the
  provisions of the legislation will not impact operations of the Department or courts
  respectively.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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